AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 AND STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph on page 4, lines 23-27 of the Specification with the following amended paragraph:

The reason is as follows: in the conventional techniques, the input image is compared with a plurality of reference images of respective objects; if the number of objects is M and the number of reference images of each object is L, therefore, image comparison must be conducted at least $\underline{L} - \underline{D} - \underline{M} - \underline{L} - \underline{X} - \underline{M}$ times.